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SUBJECT: US FIRM RELUCTANT TO FULFILL CONTRACT WITH ETHIOPIAN
AIRLINES EAL

REFS: A. ADDIS ABABA 2053 B. STATE 081015 C. ADDIS ABABA 2282

1. LINK /SINGER OFFICIALS DEAN BATES AND RICHARD MCKNIGHT VISITED
ADDIS ABABA APRIL 24-27. DURING THEIR VISIT LINK REPS MET
WITH EMBOFFS AND SPENT CONSIDERABLE TIME WITH EAL.
2. BEFORE HIS DEPARTURE APRIL 27, BATES INFORMED EMBOFF
THAT HE AND MCKNIGHT HAD DECIDED LINK SHOULD FULFILL THE
CONTRACT WHILE HE IS CONCERNED ABOUT DETERIORATION IN
ETHIOPIAN-US RELATIONS OVER THEPAST WEEK, BATES ' PRIMARY
CONCERN IS SECURITY SITUATION IN ADDIS ABABA WHICH HE BELIEVES
SUFFICIENTLY GOOD FOR LINK TECHNICIAN TO SPEND TWO
MONTHS REQUIRED TO INSTALL SIMULATMR. BATES HAS NOT MADE A
COMMITMENT TO EAL, BUT HAS TOLD THEM FINAL DECISION MUST BE
MADE BY COMPANY OFFICERS IN BINGHAMTON, NEW YORK AFTER
HEARING THEIR
REPORT. BATES TOLD EMBOFF THAT LINK WOULD ALMOST CERTAINLY
FULFILL THE CONTRACT, BUT THAT FIRM WOULD CONTACT STATE DEPART-
MENT TO CHECK DEVELOPMENTS BEFORE ANY COMMITMENT WAS MADE TO
EAL.

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3. BATES SAID IT MIGHT PROVE DIFFICULT TO FIND TECHNICIANS
WILLING TO GO TO ETHIOPIA GIVEN PROMINENT US PRESS COVERAGE
OF CURRENT SITUATION. HE NEVERTHELESS IS OPTIMISTIC THAT WORK
WILL BE DONE IN THE REASONABLY NEAR FUTURE.
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